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**2019 No.**

**The Conservation of Habitats and Species  
(Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019**

**PART 3**

**Amendments to the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2017**

**New regulation 9A**

**8.** After regulation 9, insert—

**“Reports**

**9A.**—(1) Within six years from exit day, and at least every six years thereafter, the appropriate authority must publish, in such form as it sees fit, a report on the implementation of the measures taken for the purpose of giving effect to the provisions of the Directives, and the achievement of the objectives set out in Article 2 of the Habitats Directive and Articles 2 and 3 of the new Wild Birds Directive.

(2) The report under paragraph (1) must include in particular—

- (a) information concerning conservation measures taken under Article 6(1) of the Habitats Directive;
- (b) information on provisions mentioned in Article 12 of the new Wild Birds Directive;
- (c) an evaluation of the impact of those conservation measures on the conservation status of the natural habitat types listed in Annex I of the Habitats Directive, and of the species listed in Annex II of that Directive; and
- (d) the main results of the surveillance undertaken under Part 4 of these Regulations.

(3) Within, two years from the later of the date of publication of the last of the reports to be published—

- (a) under paragraph (1); or
  - (b) within the relevant six-year period under any corresponding requirement of the other retained transposing regulations.
- the Secretary of State must, publish a composite report.

(4) A composite report published under paragraph (3) must—

- (a) be in such form as the Secretary of State sees fit;
- (b) include an appropriate evaluation of the progress achieved and, in particular, of the contribution of the national site network to the achievement of the objective of enabling the natural habitat types listed in Annex I to the Habitats Directive, and the species listed in Annex II to that Directive, to be maintained at or, where

appropriate, restored to, a favourable conservation status in their natural range;  
and

(c) be submitted in draft to the devolved administrations for verification.”.